

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. By this Amendments, claims 1-23 have been canceled and new claims 24-33 have been added. Thus, claims 24-34 are pending for further examination.

First, Applicant notes that the Office Action indicates that the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated September 20, 2001 "has not been considered as to the merits." However, this statements is believed to be erroneous in that the Applicant did not file an IDS on September 20, 2001. The IDS filed July 27, 2001 has been fully considered by the Examiner and the PTO Form 1449 has been returned.

Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Townsend. Claims 2-23 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being obvious over Townsend in view of Jeppesen. The new claims herein are believed to clearly and patentably distinguish the references of record. Thus, reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections are respectfully requested.

New independent claim 24 is directed to a customizable media logging system for indexing media, comprising: a timer object that provides a time reference upon request in connection with the media; and a logger object that logs events that occur in the media by associating the events with respective time references from the timer object, wherein the logger object includes a graphical user interface having a plurality of user interface objects that can be selected by a user of the logging system in order to log the events that

occur in the media, and the interface objects include labels thereon corresponding to predetermined events that may typically occur in the particular media being logged, and further wherein the graphical user interface is customizable to correspond to types of events that occur in the particular media being logged. The media logging system of claim 24 further includes a graphical user interface generator that generates a custom graphical user interface including custom user interface objects for a logging screen of the graphical user interface for use by a user when using the logging application, wherein the graphical user interface generator uses information entered by a user to create the customized user interface.

None of the references of record, including Townsend and Jeppesen, teach or suggest a customizable logging system as defined in new claim 24. For example, none of the references of record teach or suggest the claimed graphical user interface generator that generates a custom graphical user interface including custom user interface objects for a logging screen of the graphical user interface for use by a user when using the logging application, wherein the graphical user interface generator uses information entered by a user to create the customized user interface. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that none of new claims 24-33 are anticipated or rendered obvious by the prior art of record. Accordingly, allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

New independent claim 34 also recites, *inter alia*, a graphical user interface generator that creates customized user interfaces for the logging application based on

information entered in a database. This feature is also not taught or suggested in the prior art of record. Thus, allowance of this claim is also respectfully requested.

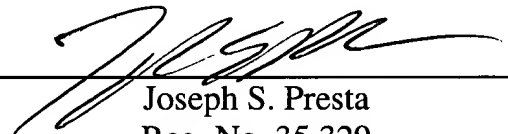
In view of foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant believes that all of the pending claims clearly and patentably distinguish the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. Thus, withdrawal of the rejections and passage of this case to issuance at an early date are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions, or deem that any further issues need to be addressed prior to allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the phone number below.

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